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## Fuller Explains Meaning Of 25,550 Mississippi's Largest Churches Listed

Mississippi has 50 churches with a membership of more than 750, according to the "Quarterly Review", published by the Baptist Sunday School Board. Below we list the churches with the membership and the name of the pastor.

Church	Membership	Church	Membership
Petal, Harvey	757	Kosciusko, First	930
Liberty	760	Starkville	956
Canton, First	769	Water Valley	963
Meridian, Highland	784	Biloxi, First	967
Pontotoc	792	Jackson, Davis Memorial	968
Macedonia	818	Corinth, First	973
Yazoo City	820	Louisville	978
Oxford, First	844	McComb, East	989
Blue Mountain, Lowery Memorial	917	Philadelphia, First	993
Leland	922	Meridian, 15th Ave	1039
Meridian, 41st St.	933	Picayune, First	1066

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### Religious Editors Appoint Watchdog Committee

NEW YORK —(RNS)— The Associated Church Press, organization of religious editors, voted at its annual meeting here to appoint a standing committee to "watch and report developments which might harm the vital interests of Protestantism."

This committee was authorized to present the "Protestant attitude to the American press, and to the legislative and administrative branches of the government."

The resolution, which was adopted unanimously, said the editors were "alarmed at the growing infiltration of the American Roman (Catholic) hierarchy into all fields of the body politic."

"The all-out pressure campaign to change the present illegal contest between the administration and the Vatican into permanent, official diplomatic relations," said the resolution, "as well as the growing agitation for support of parochial schools from public tax money, are part of the broad scheme aiming to undermine the cherished American principle of separation of church and state."

The resolution was presented by Dr. Guy Emory Shipler, New York, editor of the Churchman, who addressed the editors on "Religious Liberty and the Vatican."

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### Japanese Baptists Make Earnest Plea

TOKYO —(By Wireless to RNS)— Sixteen congregations of the former Baptist Church in Japan have agreed to form a Japan Baptist Convention, according to reliable sources here.

Most of the sixteen churches were formerly associated with the Southern Baptist Convention, but there are indications some churches from the Northern Baptist Convention may also join the new Japan Convention.

### The Washington Review CHURCHMEN ABSORBED IN WORLD PROBLEMS

By Larston D. Farrar

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The problems of the world and world problems of Christianity are claiming an ever-increasing amount of time and attention from the churchmen in the nation's capital.

The reopening of many mission fields, the continued "iron curtain" around other potential mission fields, and constant changes in national boundaries as a result of the war have posed new and more complex problems for these representatives.

As a result, it can be said that "isolationism" is dead among all churchmen. The impact of conditions has made the churchmen realize their stake in the whole world and in the world as a whole.

The mail of church representatives here proves that Americans by and

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### JOURNALISM PROFESSOR GIVES ADVICE TO RELIGIOUS EDITORS

NEW YORK, — Editors of religious publications were urged to step up the quality of their editing and the effectiveness of the cover pages and the make-up of their periodicals by Roland E. Wolseley, associate professor of Journalism at Syracuse University.

Prof. Wolseley, speaking before the annual meeting here of the Associated Church Press, said that analysis of 16 Protestant periodicals indicated the church magazines are strongest in the variety of their contents, general appearance, and the quality of writing.

"A main fault," he said, "was in the matter of breaking up expanses of type with sub-heads or other devices for that purpose and in helping the reader find the material more interesting through such editing techniques. Thirteen of the 16 magazines were

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DR. W. S. ALLEN

### Florida Educator Speaks On Baptist Hour, June 15

With Dr. W. S. Allen of DeLand, Florida, as speaker, the Baptist Hour next Sunday, June 15, will feature Christian Education as a contributing factor in evangelizing the world. Dr. Allen, a layman and formerly dean of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, is president of John B. Stetson University, of DeLand, Florida. Mr. Lowe further stated that when education is the handmaid of Christianity it is always a power in extending the kingdom of God.

The Baptist Hour Choir of sixteen voices Directed by John D. Hoffman and George L. Hamrick at the organ, is a contributing factor to the popularity of the Baptist Hour, as is reflected in the volume of fan mail received every week.

The Baptist Hour may be heard in Mississippi at 7:30 CST Sunday morning over radio stations WCBI, Columbus; WGRM, Greenwood; WSLI, Jackson, and WAML, Laurel.

The Convention Board Cooperative Program Promotional Committee has requested a called session of the Convention Board for Monday, June 30, 11:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the prayer room of the Baptist Building unless the group is too large in which case the meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church with the permission of Pastor Hudgins and the membership there. The Convention Board offices assent to the called session. It is strongly urged that every association be represented by the board member or a substitute. It is the King's business! It is big business! It is successful business! Doxology!

### Jackson First Has 4,723

By Ellis A. Fuller, D.D.

That figure is indelibly written in my mind. I tell you why. In a meditative mood I sat one day in my study with a pencil in my hand and a scratch pad before me. Casually I wrote 365 on the pad. I looked at it—365, the number of days in a year. I understood why Christmas and birthdays come so often. The days between them are so few.

Then I wrote 70 under the 365 and multiplied the two figures. The product, 25,500, dazed me. "Just 25,500 days upon the earth for a man if he lives his three-score years and ten," my soul whispered. My imagination stretched a wire across my study and put 25,550 buttons upon it. Each button represented a day. But this is not all: I pushed to the left one button for each day that I had lived, and lo, the buttons to the right were fewer than the ones to the left. My soul rebelled saying, "This cannot be true for I am just a young man now, not yet fifty."

How Many Days Remain?

How many days remain for you, if God through grace does not give you more than three-score and ten years?

Many are concerned about the im-

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### Missionary Dozier Says "Thank You" For Southern Baptist Gifts Of Food

"Letters are pouring in from all the Baptist pastors and the schools, expressing their gratitude for the gift of money and surplus navy foodstuffs sent them here in Japan as a token of the love and sympathy of Southern Baptists," writes Missionary Edwin B. Dozier from Tokyo.

Echoing his words, Seminary Chaplain Sadamoto Kawano of Fukuoka, writes: "I am still receiving gift packages and all Japanese Baptists are very thankful to receive these gifts from the Baptists abroad. It is rather hard for us to send letters to each of them, so will you please tell them for us that we say from the bottom of our hearts Arigato (thank you)? I hope I can meet all of you Southern Baptists at Copenhagen to thank you for your Christian love."

Postage In Japan Is High

Mr. Dozier says postage has increased so much in Japan that the mailing of a letter to America would be a burden upon most of the Baptists who are receiving help. "We are beginning to feel the lack of carbohydrate lime (rice). When flour is sent to Japan, it will be kind for the sender to include a small can of baking powder."

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minent doom which now threatens man and his institutions. Well should they be. Scientists have shown how Peter's dark prophecy can be fulfilled. Radio-active clouds, atom bombs, robot planes, jet propulsion, radar, disease germs are here to charge the waters, the land, and the air with death.

But whether the dark forebodings of our day shall come to pass, we do not know; but this we do know: the end of life is close at hand for every person past middle age.

For our own souls' sake, for the sake of our lost world, and for the sake of Him who died to save men and, who, in grace and love made it possible for redeemed men to become fellow workers who belong to God, we should "redeem the time," the little time that is left.

Men who believed that they could not give to God a tithe of their income to propagate the gospel of salvation have been forced to give as much as nine tenths in taxes to their federal government, to say nothing of the other manifold taxes they pay.

It makes no difference who wages war, or whether it is defensive or offensive war, from the standpoint of the human race, the results are the same—depression, destruction, death, and doom.

**Let Us Face Facts**

Last year Southern Baptists gave for all causes about \$105,000,000. Out of each dollar only 3½ cents went to the support of foreign missions. That sounds like we were prodigal in spending money upon ourselves. That is the way the devil wants it to sound. That is what he wants us to believe. That is the red herring which he would use to divert our minds from the facts.

It is not prodigality in spending money in the homeland, but penurious giving that is making our foreign program pitiable. Not a church, not a board, not an agency among us is spending enough money upon itself. I know this is true because not one of them is doing its job as it should be done.

If the law demanded "tithes and offerings," what does grace demand? Every child of grace ought to face that question now, for he will have to answer it later. There is no legalism in grace, but there is something about grace which makes bond servants of men. Grace purchases men from themselves. When they are bought with the price grace pays, they count not their lives as dear unto themselves, much less their money. If the New Testament had not mentioned tithing, we, who have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world, should know our Saviour expects the tithe and more. We should see that our assignment to make disciples of all nations demands our tithe and more.

**Tithing Estimates Are Revealing**

Our tithe would amount to at least \$500,000,000 a year, just about five times as much as we gave last year. Our tithe for the last three months of this year would amount to at least \$125,000,000, just about \$100,000,000 more than we will give at our present rate of giving.

Every local church, every state institution, every Southwide board and agency will share in this additional \$100,000,000, for it will be distributed precisely according to the percentages now fixed within the churches, within the state conventions, and within the Southern Convention. Thus we will raise the service level of Baptists throughout the world.

Every Baptist can tithe for these three months!

Every Baptist ought to try tithing for

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lacking at that point.

"Eleven editors were deficient in the way they edited pictures, for the illustrations sometimes were badly cropped, based on poor copy, lacked retouching, or had other such faults. Ten did not shorten their paragraphs sufficiently.

"Magazines could be improved if article headlines and picture captions were worded more strikingly, if more or larger headlines were used, if more use was made of the contents page, if authors were identified more clearly, if headline types were harmonized, if body type was enlarged."

Prof. Wolseley reminded religious editors that the cover of their publication is a "show window." He said "it must not be dull. It must hold promise." He stressed that some magazines used the same sort of illustration issue after issue, failed to put highlights of the contents on the cover, used static or dull scenes for the cover picture.

He advised that many publications would benefit if they used small cuts here and there in their pages, to avoid "two or three columns of unbroken type."

Other faults included "unattractive openings or leads for articles, incorrect choice of screen cuts, too little general religious news, little evidence of editorial leadership, and insufficient use of pictures and other illustrative material."

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**MISSIONARY DOZIER SAYS "THANK YOU" FOR SOUTHERN BAPTIST GIFTS OF FOOD**

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der with it. Please sack in cloth all gifts of flour, rice, salt, oatmeal, and cream of wheat, especially when packed with tinned foods."

**Systematic Sending of Boxes Is Urged**

The missionary sent another long list of names and addresses of Baptist pastors, teachers, and church members for the Baptist World Alliance relief file, 715 Eighth Street, N.W., Washington 1, D.C. Instructions for mailing eleven-pound packages to Japan are available from the post offices. The systematic method of sending a single package a month to each pastor is recommended.

Missionary Cecile Lancaster, who expects to return to Japan as soon as passport is available, mentions the Southern Baptist orphanage as a worthy relief project. Formerly a day nursery for children of mothers employed in the mine, it is now a "warphanage" supported by the Rev. and Mrs. E. Yoshiwara. An unlimited number of gifts can be distributed when addressed to them at Kodomo No. Sono, Benten-cho, Meinohama, Fukuo-ka, Japan.

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An invitation has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Willis of Columbia, South Carolina, to attend the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Willis, to Austin C. Dobbins, son of Dr. and Mrs. Gaines S. Dobbins of Louisville, Kentucky, on June 21 at 8 p.m. in the First Church, Columbia.

these three months to see what it will mean to his own spiritual enrichment and happiness and to demonstrate what it will do for our program of world conquest in Christ's name.

For the sake of our own souls, for the sake of our doomed world, for the sake of our Saviour, let us pray that Southern Baptists to a man will prove God by tithing in love and honesty for the months of October, November and December.

**MISSISSIPPI'S LARGEST CHURCHES LISTED**

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New Albany	1067
Laurel, Second Avenue	1108
West Point, First	1112
Natchez, First	1126
Pascagoula, First	1130
Jackson, Parkway	1175
Grenada, First	1202
Crystal Springs	1206
Hattiesburg, First	1258
Hattiesburg, 5th Ave	1390
Laurel, First	1397
Laurel, West	1399
Greenwood, First	1400
Clarksdale	1427
Clinton, First	1439
Columbia, First	1456
Brookhaven, First	1503
Greenville, First	1724
Hattiesburg, Main Street	1731
Gulfport, First	1839
Vicksburg, First	1919
McComb, First	1970
Tupelo, First	1994
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	2256
Meridian, First	2297
Columbus, First	2561
Jackson, Calvary	3712
Jackson, First	4723

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Virgil Ratcliff

J. W. Landrum  
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D. L. Hill  
W. L. Day  
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Paul G. Horner  
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D. S. Haworth  
Wyatt R. Hunter  
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L. W. Ferrell  
Norman W. Cox

Claud B. Bowen  
W. Douglas Hudgins

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**GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. —(RNS)—**

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. holding its 159th annual session here, authorized the General Council of the Church to take "any and all actions" pertaining to church and state relations that may be necessary before the General Assembly meets in 1948.

Newly elected officers of the Southern Seminary Alumni Association are: Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Memphis, Tenn., president; Dr. John L. Waldrop, Atlanta, Ga., vice president; and Dr. W. O. Vaught, Little Rock, Ark., secretary.

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large now also are world-minded. An increasing proportion of the queries being sent to the Friends Committee on National Legislation (Quakers), the social action department of the Congregational-Christian Churches, the Washington office of the Federal Council of Churches, and the office here of the Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations has to do with world affairs and America's relation to this or that nation in Europe, Asia, Africa, or elsewhere.

Fully half the time of a typical Washington "religious lobbyist" must be spent studying foreign policy. Included must be a study of the status quo in dozens of countries abroad—a status quo that changes very often in some countries; so often as to make many feel that the whole world is in a state of flux.

**SENATE SERMON**

Well-liked Senator Charles W. Tobey (R-N.H.) took to the floor of the Senate the other day to discuss what he termed "the things of the spirit" and he asked his colleagues to forgive the "intrusion" if it seemed that such matters were "entirely apart from the pending legislation."

Telling his colleagues about New Hampshire's observance of an annual "Fast Day" for prayer and meditation, Tobey said that "law alone is not the answer" to the nation's problems.

"May the spiritual qualities in each of us, sometimes dormant, be stimulated and aroused, to the end that we may have a clear understanding that the hope of the world for a real solution of the problems of mankind does not lie primarily in legislation, but rather in an application of the spirit of the teachings of the Master of Men," he continued.

"If we will take time to apply introspection as we appraise our problems today, I think it will become patent to each of us that to implement our wisdom and purposes in legislation, there must needs be spiritual understanding."

Not many sermons with such feeling are delivered on the floor of the U.S. Senate.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Langley, Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Atley A. Kitchings, Jackson; Rev. F. G. Wilborn, Sumrall; F. G. Wilborn, Jr., and Robert N. Wilborn, Clinton; Rev. R. W. Porter, Collierville, Tenn.; Rev. S. M. White, Summit; James Walter Spencer, Clinton; James McIlwain and Lee McIlwain, Jackson; Rev. Virgil Ratcliff, Hattiesburg; Rev. S. B. Harrington, Tchula; Rev. W. C. Howard, Water Valley; Rev. W. W. Simpson, Philadelphia; Rev. N. S. Jackson, Jackson; Mrs. E. Fort, Long Beach; Rev. H. Grady Wilkes, Duncan; Tony Jones, Eupora; Larry Joe Crenshaw, Eupora; Rev. J. R. Reedy, Eupora; Bonnie Kate Bell, Philadelphia; Sara Jane Tubby, Philadelphia; Delores M. Jimmy, Philadelphia; Gilbert Gima, Abilene, Texas; Lewis M. Haneock, Healdton, Okla.; Rev. W. H. Buckalew, Laurel; Billy Joe Gregg, West Point; James F. Pomeroy, West Point; Dr. James C. Taylor, West Point; Elliott Hatch, Vaiden.

Rev. Bob H. Benton, State Evangelist, will begin a meeting with Pastor Morrell Lee and Roseland Park Church, Pica-yune, on Sunday night, June 15. Evangelist Benton closes a meeting at Byram, near Jackson on Sunday morning June 15. Rev. Henry J. Bennett is pastor at Byram.



## Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.



A fine group of workers from Decatur Baptist Church, Rev. W. A. Hogan, pastor, visited the Baptist Building several days ago. They also visited other Baptist institutions of the city and vicinity. This is a splendid group. We wish more of our Baptist people from over the state might visit their Baptist Building along with the various institutions.

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We enjoyed being with Pastor F. V. McFatridge and the folks at Coldwater for a few services. Congregations were unusually good morning and night. They have a fine fellowship. One addition by letter and one by baptism.

Brother Austin Williams led the singing in acceptable fashion. It was good to have fellowship with Pastors H. L. Martin, C. O. Pate, and Oliver Hood. Visitors were present from Senatobia, Arkabutla, Hernando, Independence, and so forth. Those leading in inviting persons to the services were Mrs. Bowdon, Lawrence Taylor, Estell Taylor, Martha Ellen Saunders, Caron Burford, Nathan Wynn, Patsy Todd, and Ann Ingram.

While at Coldwater, we enjoyed, for part of the time, rest and refreshment in the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Powell. Here is another fine Christian physician family rendering large service over a wide area. They are blessed with three fine physician sons who carry on. Great fellowship!

II  
The Convention Board Cooperative Program Promotional Committee with all members present in the persons of Dr. F. M. Purser, Norman Cox, J. D. Ray, Chairman, and H. L. Martin, Secretary, requested the offices of the Convention Board to call a special session of that Board Monday, June 30, 11:00 a.m. The officers authorized such a meeting. It is hoped that every Convention Board member will be present. If a Convention Board member just cannot be present, he is urged to name a substitute. Certainly every association should be represented at this meeting. Vital Kingdom matters hinge upon the success of the Cooperative Program effort.

In returning to the office after an engagement at Coldwater, we were happy to have Dr. H. L. Martin, Senatobia, as a passenger in the plane. He is a good flyer; but as for that matter, we have found him good in any position or condition.

Showing pictures at the R.A. Camp, we found a fine group of leaders, and certainly a group of boys filled with energy and enthusiasm. W.M.U. leaders are to be congratulated over the progress made in camp construction and program.

III  
Brother S. J. Rhodes, Pearl River County Associational Missionary, Brother B. H. Benton, LeTourneau Foundation sponsored Evangelistic and Stewardship man, along with others, recently organized West Poplarville Baptist Church. Immediately they sent in an offering through the Cooperative Program and another for Associational Missions. The King's business continues to pick up.

### IV A MILLION SOUTHERN BAPTIST TITHERS FOR CHRIST J. E. Dillard

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God" Matthew 6:33

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse" Malachi 3:10

#### What They Did

At the 1946 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention upon the unanimous recommendation of its Executive Committee the Convention adopted a goal for 1947 of a Million Southern Baptist Tithers for Christ.

#### Why They Did It

They did it because they believe the Bible teaches tithing; that it is a law in the Old Testament; that Jesus approved of it in the New Testament; that a blessing is promised the faithful tither.

They did it hoping to provide a permanent, dependable, supporting constituency for our work; they did it because our people need to cultivate the grace of liberality and to be saved from covetousness, avarice, and greed.

#### Why One Million

The ideal plan for financing all kingdom causes is for all the Lord's people to bring all the Lord's tithe into the Lord's house upon the Lord's day for

the Lord's work. If this were done we would have sufficient funds to double our local budgets, triple our missionary offerings, and multiply the endowment of our institutions by four.

But Baptists believe in the voluntary principle: That all contributions should be voluntarily and cheerfully made. So the goal set is a modest one; not so high we know we cannot reach it, nor so low we will not have to work and pray to realize it. One million means about one in five of our Southern Baptist church members. We hope for more next year.

#### What It Would Mean

If we could actually get a million Southern Baptists to tithe through their churches it would add approximately \$100,000,000 to our income and enable us to greatly increase, perhaps double, our work.

It would also increase the interest of our people in the Lord's work, it would enlarge the attendance upon our church services, and make religion more vital in the lives of our people.

#### How They Hope To Get Them

Voluntary co-operation is a fundamental doctrine with Southern Baptists. Its ideal is "all for each and each for all." Our states co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in seeking to enlist all our people in the support of all our work.

So each state has adopted a tithing goal for 1947. These added together make the million which is set as the goal for the Southland. Each state has its own plan of promotion and the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention works with all the states. The Executive Committee conducts conferences, prepares, publishes, and distributes stewardship and tithing articles, booklets, leaflets, posters, etc.

In the last analysis we depend upon our pastors and churches. We expect all of them to enter in for their own sakes, for the sake of their denomination and for the sake of Christ and a lost world for which he died.

We are asking all churches to adopt tithing goals and appoint special committees to promote the effort. We expect them to have appropriate sermons, tithing talks, and study classes; to distribute tithing literature, and to observe Tithing Enlistment Day October 5, or nearest convenient Sunday.

#### What Can I Do?

I can inform myself about this special effort, make it a matter of prayer, sign the tither's card and give it to my pastor asking him to do his best to enroll at least one-fifth of our church members and assure him of my substantial and prayerful help.

I will do it — will you?

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#### WHY WE TITHE

"To Bob and I one-tenth of our income is a debt that we owe the Lord just as we might owe any other debt, and we do not consider our bills paid until we have given God that which belongs to Him."

—MRS. BOB STAGNER

"We tithe because, first, the Bible teaches it.

Second, because it is a joy and privilege.

Third, we feel we can help reach more unsaved people by giving the tenth of our income.

—MR. and MRS. E. V. McELWEE

"We have been tithers all our married life and can truly say it is a glorious privilege.

In Malachi 3:10 God makes a promise that He has kept with us. I believe if man will be fair with God, sharing, proportionately, his time, talents, personality and money, God will surely pour his blessings on that one.

—MRS. E. L. SUMMER

"We tithe because we feel that it is only a sincere expression of our gratitude for all that God has done for us.

We cannot understand why any Christian who reads his Bible can fail to tithe, especially after reading the following passages:

Malachi 3:8—"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings."

Malachi 3:10—"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

—ETHEL and CLARENCE ZACHRY

If you have had a real tithing experience, we will be happy to give it to Mississippi Baptists in a 25 or 50 word written statement

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EXETER, N.H., —(RNS)— A resolution protesting the recent Supreme Court decision upholding use of public funds for transporting of parochial school students was passed following heated debate at the 146th annual convention of the N.H. Congregational-Christian conference here. Pointing out that Protestantism has consistently stood for the principle of separation of church and state, the conference recorded "its undeviating opposition to such efforts on the part of any Christian body" and directed its committee on social action to "maintain watchful concern to safeguard this principle within our state."

SHAWNEE, Okla., —(BP)— A summer school for preachers will be held at Oklahoma Baptist University here June 17-27, Dr. Luther Harris, dean of the school has announced.

"The purpose of the school is to give practical courses to those who have not gone to college or seminary," Dr. Harris said. "It also is a refresher course for graduates." Preachers, Sunday school teachers and officers, and associational missionaries are especially invited. A special course is offered for preachers' wives. Three hours college credit may be earned by those possessing necessary requisites.



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### Father's Day

Sunday, June 15, is to be cele-  
brated as Father's Day. To me  
every day is Father's Day.

I am forever thankful that God  
gave me the father that he did.  
One of the many disappointments  
of life is that Father will not read  
these words of appreciation for he  
passed away 16 years ago. Were  
he living, I would want to say the  
following things to him.

I am thankful for a Christian  
home. Many had finer homes and  
on higher hills, but none was  
brighter in the things that really  
count. My father and mother  
taught me to pray by example.  
And no meal, so far as I can re-  
member, was ever eaten until  
after a brief prayer of thanks.

Eternal thanks are due him for  
seeing that I got to Sunday School  
and church and that I had some-  
thing to contribute when I got  
there.

I am trying to live up to the  
things he taught me such as hon-  
esty, faithfulness, courtesy, clean-  
mindedness, industriousness, giv-  
ing a full day of work for a day's  
pay, respect for my elders and the  
foolishness of waste. My father  
not only taught these things, he  
practiced them before me.

He provided the best education  
that was then available and saw  
to it that I took advantage of this.

As many others can proudly say,  
"I never saw a cigarette in his fin-  
gers nor smelled whiskey on his  
breath." And he never uttered an  
ugly or ungentlemanly word in my  
presence. What profane terms I  
know came from other lips.

My father made many sacrifices  
in order to help me along. No rea-  
sonable request was ever denied  
and many times he did without  
that I might have.

The words above are about my  
own father, but they also describe  
many other fathers.

To any father who fails to meas-  
ure up to the above description, I  
would urge you to make plans  
NOW to do so.

To those who do measure up I

would offer congratulations and  
the hope that others may follow  
your example.

As some poet whose name I  
have forgotten wrote:

"I follow a famous father,  
His honor is mine to wear;  
He gave me a name that was  
free from shame,  
A name he was proud to bear.  
He lived in the morning sun-  
light,  
And marched in the ranks of  
right.  
He was always true to the best  
he knew  
And the sheild that he bore was  
bright.

"I follow a famous father,  
And never a day goes by.  
But I feel that he looks down  
to me  
To carry his standard high.  
He stood to the sternest trials  
As only a brave man can;  
Though the way be long, I must  
never wrong  
The name of so good a man.

"I follow a famous father—  
Not known to the printed page  
Nor written down in the world's  
renown  
As a prince of his little age.  
But never a stain attached to  
him  
And never he stooped to shame;  
He was bold and brave and to  
me he gave  
The pride of an honest name.

"I follow a famous father,  
And him I must keep in mind;  
When his form is gone, I shall  
carry on  
The name that he leaves behind.  
It was mine on the day he gave  
it,  
It shone as a monarch's crown.  
And as fair to see as it came  
to me  
It must be when I pass it down."

—BR—

### June Is Christian Education Month

Christian Education begins in  
the first institution ordained by  
God, the home. The training of  
children begins earlier than the  
cradle; it begins with the grand-  
parents. We often hear comments  
on the years following World War  
I and the effects manifest in the  
generation growing up during that  
quarter century. And now we are  
in the aftermath of World War II.

As home-makers have taken on  
other responsibilities which took  
them away from home, those  
hours spent instilling character  
into youngsters have been by-pass-  
ed, and the responsibility has in  
large measure been passed to the  
church and the school. For those  
parents who have been God-fear-

ing and constant in spite of troub-  
lous times, we are grateful.

The choice of a Mississippi  
teacher for signal honor in recent  
days is a credit to her and many  
others in the profession who have  
shared, and creditably so, in the  
responsibility placed on our  
schools. Faithful Sunday School  
teachers serving year in and year  
out are rewarded in the growth  
of Christian boys and girls and  
men and women, who find places  
of responsibility in their church  
and community.

Christian Education is not  
caught, it is taught! It must not  
only begin early in life, but must  
continue as the child grows to  
maturity. The first schools of  
America began as church schools.  
The Bible was the textbook.

Today we have all too few de-  
nominational schools. The ones  
we have exist, rather than flourish  
with materials that make for phys-  
ical comfort, sufficient class-  
room space, library and laboratory  
facilities, or even administrative  
equipment. Teachers have been  
improperly remunerated and many  
have of necessity sought suste-  
nance elsewhere, even though their  
hearts were torn asunder at the  
separation from students whom  
they love and the profession for  
which they had prepared.

State universities and colleges  
have large numbers of Baptists  
and through the Baptist Student  
Union our denomination has done  
a good job in providing a religious  
program, but this program does  
not reach the class room. Were  
Baptist parents to decide to send  
their children to our Baptist  
schools next fall, we could in no  
wise take care of them! Tax-sup-  
ported schools provide the same  
curricula minus the Christian in-  
fluence for less money than do  
church schools. This is one reason  
for some choice students, particu-  
larly where they are one of many  
in a family, seeking their training  
in state institutions. Larger giving  
would enable our denominational  
schools to cut costs. Our denomi-  
national schools ought not to be  
prohibitive to our Baptist con-  
stituency. We are not rich finan-  
cially, but we are rich in potential  
manpower.

It is in the class room that many  
students are thrown off balance  
spiritually, because of professors  
who are not Christian, and who  
deliberately set out to "make pu-  
pils think." Christian teachers may  
also "make pupils think," but they  
are at hand to guide in the think-  
ing and to counsel with students if  
doubts arise.

Our schools need to be more  
Christian and to develop the Chris-  
tian character which began in the  
formative years in the home and

in our Sunday Schools. Christian  
schools present Christ, and have  
for an aim that students who are  
not Christian will know Him as  
personal Savior before they leave  
the school.

Christian Education will give us  
Christian homemakers, religious  
leaders for denominational enter-  
prises at home and abroad, and  
also Christian statesmen for state  
and national life.

When the opportunity is given  
in your church, or Sunday School,  
or whatever auxiliary of the  
church, to make an offering for  
Christian Education, avail your-  
self of the opportunity. Christian  
Education pays big dividends.  
Only Christian people will support  
the program financially. Whether  
you have children who will attend  
the schools or not, the welfare of  
our state and nation depends upon  
our increasing facilities for Chris-  
tian Education rather than letting  
them decline.

—BR—

### Revivals Should Emphasize Tithe

A tremendous impact for Chris-  
tian stewardship would result if  
every revival effort this summer  
devoted at least one major serv-  
ice to emphasis of the Christian's  
obligations regarding use of his  
money.

It is suggested that such an hour  
be observed in each of the approx-  
imately 10,000 revivals scheduled  
for the summer months. The em-  
phasis is fitting in any revival be-  
cause of stewardship's indivisible  
connection with Christian growth,  
and it also paves the way for the  
three-month "Prove Me" tithing  
campaign this fall.—C.E.B.

—BR—

### Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we  
consider one of the best editorials  
coming to our attention.—  
Editor.

In a two-page editorial review of  
the Southern Baptist Convention,  
titled "Why They Behave Like Bap-  
tists," staff editor of The Christian  
Century, leading interdenominational  
religious journal in the country, gives  
a fair summary of that meeting.

The visiting editor expressed his  
surprise at the peculiar type of meet-  
ing he found this Convention to be.  
He says:

"Seated in this Convention, whose  
thousands of messengers remained re-  
markably faithful to their task  
throughout the sessions, the visitor  
asked himself repeatedly, Is this a  
church or is it a sort of peoples' move-  
ment? Certainly it moves. It is alive.  
Its sprawling vitality spreads across a  
substantial part of the nation, reach-  
ing the remotest countryside. Its  
membership reached 6,000,000 in the  
past year. Membership gains of 3.6  
per cent were reported for 1946—well  
over the average for Protestantism."

—Baptist Message





## Brotherhood Department

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### CENTER TERRACE BROTHERHOOD

The Brotherhood Secretary got the above picture the first Sunday in June. This is one of the oldest Brotherhoods in Mississippi and without a doubt, one of the most active in the entire Southland. At the present time the men are divided into four groups, each group being responsible for conducting a prayer service in a section of Canton each Thursday night. They are reaching about 150 people each week through these services. Men from this group are leading in prayer services that have never before had a part in the church program. Brethren, ours is an enlistment agency!

### DISTRICT MEETING DATES

Our fall district meetings will be held the last week in October through the first week in November. We begin October 27 and will hold four meetings that week and close November 7 having four that week. It seems certain now that Mr. L. H. Tapscott, Brotherhood Secretary of Texas, will be with us one of the weeks and possibly two.

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### ON TO RIDGE CREST

The Brotherhood Week at Ridgecrest is August 14-20. Make your reservations now.

### DR. AND MRS. FRANKS SAIL FROM NEW ORLEANS

In order to make a first hand inspection of conditions in Europe and to report on the effectiveness of the Church World Service program of overseas relief and reconstruction, Dr. J. D. Franks, for ten years the Mississippi representative on the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and Mrs. Franks sailed Saturday May 24 from New Orleans on the Waterman Lines' SS Hastings for a one-year visit to Geneva and other parts of Europe.

#### Will Give First Hand Account

"People in the United States who are giving their used clothing and money to this program are anxious to know what is happening to their gifts when they get on the other side," Dr. Franks said. "Our trip is designed so we can give a first hand account."

In addition to the clothing, thousands of pounds of food are sent each month through the nine regional centers. Medicine, vitamins, quonset huts, etc., are also sent overseas to aid in the rehabilitation of the people and the churches.

Dr. and Mrs. Franks' first stop will be in Geneva, Switzerland from whence they will travel under orders from the Church World Service Director in Geneva to the other countries of Europe.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a list of new subscriptions from Cross Roads Church, Neshoba County. The list was sent by the treasurer, F. B. Gardner.

### Avera Church, Greene County, Has Mission Emphasis Program

The Avera Church, Green County, had an inspiring Mission Emphasis Program on May 25. The theme song for the service was "Amazing Grace". Rev. Orman Knight of Sand Hill Church brought the message, "Christ Into All the World". Mrs. Knight's chalk talk and the special music by Miss Junia Walley prepared the people for the sermon.

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### Alfred Carpenter Leaves On 35-Day Tour Of Europe

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Director, Chaplains' Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been designated by and has accepted the invitation of Robert P. Patterson, Secretary of War, "to be a member of a representative group of leading American clergymen to visit Germany, Austria, Italy, and Switzerland" as his guests for the purpose of "observing conditions confronting occupation forces."

The party will leave Washington by special mission aircraft June 23 for a 35-day tour. The ministers will "study all phases of the complex problems existing in occupied areas."

In the fall of 1945 Dr. Carpenter joined a similar group of ministers as guests of the War Department and toured the India, China, Burma, and West Pacific theaters of operation.

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Dr. W. F. Hamilton, Chaplain of the Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, is serving as supply pastor of Napoleon Baptist Church, in New Orleans.



## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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ANNIE PEARL KELLEY

Elected as Secretary of the State BSU Council at the Spring Retreat in Moorhead, Miss Annie Pearl Kelley, hails from Clarke Memorial College. Annie Pearl promises to keep accurate and complete records of our State Council's work, and we're glad to have her among the group. Pray for her.

#### POTPOURRI

Contributions for Co Griffin's traveling expenses to Hawaii now total \$459.45. We need about \$80 more. Those not previously reported are: Miss. College—\$48; New Orleans students—\$20; Friend in Baptist Bldg.—\$5; L.S.U. students—\$25; Miss Jennie Stevens, Canton—\$25, and Student

Mrs. A. R. Swann of Dandridge, Tennessee, wanted to do something for missionaries, pastors, and other religious workers, so she bought and furnished a beautiful home on the banks of Douglas Lake near Jefferson City, Tennessee. The home can be occupied from a week to a month without charge, except food. Applications should be made to Dr. James T. Warren, Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee.

North Carolina Baptists have leased a property formerly used as a hospital unit near Wilmington for a summer assembly site. The site will be used in 1948.

Nurses, Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans—\$25. Co, at this writing, is on the West Coast preparing to leave for Honolulu on June 9. Pray for her and the others as they witness for Christ out there. . . 182 Mississippians are to be at the Student Retreat at Ridgecrest, beginning tonight. God grant that all of us might see anew the incomparable Christ in all his transcendent glory during this great meeting! . . . Several Clarke girls plan to work in Vacation Bible Schools in Maryland, Texas, Alabama, and Miss., this summer. . . Thirteen is the number of revivals of Miss. Baptist students. . . No man is honest if he does not at least tithe, for God says those who do not contribute a tenth of their income to Him are robbers. . . Someone has said that the idea for slow-motion pictures came to its inventor while watching two Scotchmen in a restaurant reaching for a lunch check. . . Seven Blue Mt. girls are to work with the Home Mission Board this summer. Fourteen are on the Ridgecrest staff. Many will do Vacation Bible School work. . . Was blessed by hearing Pastor Homer Robertson, of Bowmar Ave., Church, Vicksburg, the first night of their youth revival in which Robert Martin, of Batesville Church, was to do the remainder of the preaching; William Hearn, of Clarke, to lead the singing; and Willie Mae Cutrer, of MSCW, and Merle Ford, of Miss. College, were to participate. . . Miss. College's graduation exercises the next night were very impressive and much enjoyed.

### Paynes Church Calls Everett?

Paynes Baptist Church has called Rev. Charles Everett of Iuka as pastor. Pastor Everett and his family will move on the new field June 14.

The Paynes Church is a full-time church with 165 enrolled in Sunday School, 67 in Training Union, a Brotherhood, W.M.S., Y.W.A., G.A. and R.A.

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Southern Presbyterians reported a gain of 62,248 in their membership last year. They now report 613,701 members in 3,542 churches in 16 states. Per-capita giving climbed to \$42.82 last year.

## Help All Causes of Christ Through the Co-operative Program!

Our colleges are some of the finest in the land! The Co-operative Program contributions stabilize and undergird them.

Our 1947 GOAL—\$1,000,000 through the Co-operative Program from Mississippi Baptists!



## Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

### THE STEWARDSHIP OF INFLUENCE

By Mrs. T. A. Hester

Thomas of Malmesbury said, "There is no action of man in this life which is not the beginning of so long a chain of consequences that no human providence can tell what the end will be." Melville said, "We cannot live only for ourselves."

In I Corinthians we find "Wherefore, if meat causeth my brother to stumble, I will eat no flesh for evermore."

What men have been trying to say for centuries is that influence is a force and a power not to be treated lightly. Influence is the pebble into the sea of cause and effects and who can say where the last wave touches the shore. Evil multiplies itself by the shadow of its influence and good shines upon the path of men in the dark.

The home is the cradle of the future, and the Mother who sets the standards for her children wields more power with her prayers and whispers than the ruler on a man-made throne.

The community is the laboratory for democracy, and the woman who by her life and her every day example shows Christ to her neighbor is as surely a missionary as the appointee on the farthest foreign field.

The county, or association, is the testing ground for organized effort, and the woman who lends her personality and intelligence to the carrying of the Gospel throughout her county is a messenger without portfolio except the Word of God on her lips and in her heart.

The State is the field to look upon and see the white harvest, and the W.M.S. that supports this work will live to see the results in saved souls and workers for tomorrow.

The Home and Foreign Fields seem far away, but the woman whose prayers always include the lonely but courageous missionaries and the work in the world, will some day hear the "Well done" in the Master's Voice.

It is not the large flamboyant deed everytime that reaches the attention of the Father. Jesus sat over against the treasury and praised the Widow's mite though the altar was piled with the riches from the treasury vaults of the country. He said 'she hath done what she could' when the precious ointment was offered as a sacrifice before His crucifixion. He was sad when the rich young ruler went away without selling and giving to the poor. He saw the power of influence.

Each person has an influence as surely as he has a shadow. . . whether for good or for evil, that one must decide. Even so small and seemingly insignificant act as church attendance weilds an influence; a vote for church attendance is a vote for God. Refraining from evil is like removing the stumbling block from the brother's path.

A true story concerns a young man who had a beautiful voice. His father, devoutly Christian, asked him to use his voice for God. This he did, due to the influence of his father. Today the hearts of shut-ins, sick, and invalids are gladdened by the gospel

message this young man sings over the radio. What a wonderful result of a father's influence.

A king built a temple expecting the praise of all the people for his accomplishment. For years the workmen and oxen brought the many-colored rocks to build the beautiful temple where people might worship God. A beautiful stone was rolled into place and on this stone was chiseled the name of the king who had started the work. At last came the day when all was finished, when the stone was to be unveiled and the temple dedicated. When the veil was lifted there was a name, but not the name of the king. It was a woman's name. The king was angry and demanded that the woman be dragged before him. For days they searched for her, and found her at last in a peasant cottage. Before the angry king she cringed and cried.

"Why is your name on the stone instead of mine?" raged the King.

"Alas," she replied as she wept, "I do not know, Sir. Unless—unless—well, you see, the workmen who hauled the stones for the temple passed my humble abode, and the oxen seemed so heavy-burdened that my heart was moved, and I fed them the straw from my mattress. You see, it was all I had to give them."

The king's heart was moved and he saw that he had built for self-glory and not to honor God. He saw that all he had done was as nothing in the sight of God as compared to the poor woman who had given the straw from her mattress to feed the plodding dumb oxen. And then the king prayed for forgiveness and thereafter worshipped God from his heart in this temple as long as he lived. But by his own decree the name on the stone was never changed. Such is the power of influence!

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### GREEN CO. PASTORS' CONFERENCE ORGANIZED

On May 24th a group of pastors, deacons, and laymen met in the auditorium of the Leakesville Church and organized a pastor's conference.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Orman Knight, Sandhill, who briefly stated the purposes of the meeting. After a round table discussion led by Rev. C. S. Moulder, of Hattiesburg, an organization was affected.

The following officers were elected: Rev. Orman Knight, Sandhill, president; Rev. Byron Mathis, Neely, vice-president; Rev. M. E. Perry, Leakesville, secretary; and Rev. C. B. Saucier, West Salem, chorister.

A bountiful dinner consisting of chicken-in-dumpings was served by Mrs. J. W. Backstrom, Sr., and several other good women.

After dinner another meeting was held in the church auditorium. In this meeting the discussion centered around the work of the Greene County association for the remainder of this year and that of next year.

The next meeting of the pastor's conference will be held at Sandhill at 4 o'clock on August 23.



### Junior Girls At Darlove

Mrs. S. M. Horton has been teaching Juniors for more than 50 years. She began teaching in the mission, before the organization of the Darlove Church. During these years Mrs. Horton has been faithful to her Lord, the church and the children. Shown in the picture are left to right, front row: Clara Murle Weaver, Shelly Marie Smyly, Betty Joe Hyer; second row: Doris Jeane Hartley, Betty Crow, Donnie Clements, Lottie Ruth Langley; back row, Alveta Jordan, Mrs. S. M. Horton, and Gladys Ously.

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### FOXWORTH V.B.S. AWARDS 67 CERTIFICATES

Foxworth Baptist Church held its annual Bible School in May with pastor E. L. Howell serving as Superintendent. He was capably assisted by the following:

**Beginners**—Mrs. R. E. Abernathy, Supt; Mrs. Earl Ball, Mrs. J. N. Stringer, and Ellen Marie Graves. **Primaries**—Mrs. George Page, Supt; Mrs. C. L. Thornhill, and Mrs. Mae Morgan. **Juniors**—Mrs. Newt Hall, Supt; Mrs. Hubert McCraw, and Mrs. Gaston Beard. **Intermediates**—Mrs. Brown Polk, Supt; and Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Howell. Mrs. Alberta Staples was general superintendent and Mr. F. L. Poland was in charge of all manual work. Misses Virginia Lowe and Ellen Marie Graves were pianist for the school.

The public was invited to attend the closing exercises on June 1st at 6 o'clock.

Seventy-seven pupils were eligible for certificates.

After closing prayer by J. W. Pittman everyone was invited to the annex to view the manual work.

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### MILLARD CINCINNATI PUGH

Millard Cincinnati Pugh, age 76, of DeSoto, Mississippi passed away Feb. 23, 1947 at 6:35 a.m.

He leaves to mourn his going, his wife, Mrs. Emma Pugh; one sister, Mrs. Laura P. Sellers; four brothers, Roy Pugh and W. H. Pugh, Birmingham, Ala., C. J. Pugh, Muskegon, Mich., and Walter Pugh, Quitman, Mississippi; a number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Mr. Pugh united with the Baptist church early in life and was a faithful and consistent Christian. He was a deacon of the DeSoto Baptist Church at the time of his death.

Funeral services were held Feb. 27, at 2:30 p.m. from the DeSoto Baptist Church with the Rev. D. L. Stennis officiating, assisted by Rev. G. W. Harkins. Interment followed in the DeSoto cemetery.

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Dr. W. R. White was elected president of the Southwestern Seminary Alumni in their annual meeting at St. Louis.



Department  
of Church  
Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

### NEW THEORY BOOKS READY

Our new theory book in "Practical Music Lessons" Part One is ready for distribution from this office only. It is in mimeograph form and has about 60 pages. It will sell for 40c. This is the first book in our New Study Course Series and will give you a certificate on your Church Music Diploma. Order as many as you need for a school in your church.

The revised book "Hymn Playing" is available through this office. The price of it is 40c. It is also one of our study course books.

In a few days we will have in our office the book "Methods and Materials for Graded Choirs". "Let Us Sing", "Music and the Scriptures" and "The Technique of Conducting" are all available at the Baptist Book Store.

Use these six books in your regular study course weeks or with a special week of music study in your church.

### DISTRICT HYMN PLAYING CONTEST

District I, Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, 2:30, June 22, W. C. Morgan, Director; District II, Indianola Baptist Church, 2:30, June 22, Miss Joyce Farmer, Director; District III, Grenada Baptist Church, 2:30, June 22, Mrs. D. E. Clark Dir. District IV, Baldwin church, 2:30, June 22, Rev. Robert Palmer; District V, First Baptist Church, Columbus, Mississippi, 2:30, June 22, Miss Marion Davis, Director; District VI, Decatur Baptist Church, 2:30, June 22, J. T. Smith, Director; District VII, Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, Mississippi 2:00, June 22, Miss Trugen Beard, Director; District VIII, Brookhaven Baptist Church, 2:30, June 8, J. C. Pinson, Director.

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### SEND YOUR CHURCH MUSICIANS

In just a few weeks we will have our State Music Leadership Conference, June 29-July 4. Plan now to send your musicians. It will pay your church great dividends. We can help them.

### RIDGECREST MUSIC WEEK

August 22-29 is music week at Ridgecrest. Many will want to make reservations now. We have pamphlets available for those who are interested in going.

### HAVE YOU TRIED THIS?

1. Ask eight of your ladies to sing for you some Sunday night? The Colemans Ladies Quartet books will give them some good arrangements.

2. Asking for all who play some instrument to bring them to the church and ask one of those present to work with them for a special number in the near future?

3. Have an entire evening of all music? June 29 is a 5th Sunday and would be a good time for this.

4. Keep a record of the songs you use and see how few you are using? Put the date on the margin of your hymnal and you will be surprised how often you will turn to certain hymns.

5. Praying for our work in Mississippi? We are making progress but we have a long way to go.



# BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary - Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson

Someone said "I do not tithe because I am not under the law, but under grace". A friend in answer said "The Jews under law gave the tithe and for a Christian under grace to do less is a disgrace".

## THREE SPLENDID STUDY COURSES

Under the direction of pastor Eugene Crawford, assisted by Mrs. I. S. Dixon and Mrs. J. M. Chester a helpful study course has been completed in the Black Jack church, Yazoo County. Three classes were taught, adults, intermediates and juniors.

Hebron church under the leadership of Brother Mayhall, Herbert Batson, Miss Matthews, and Miss Louise Groener has also had an interesting study course with four classes, one for juniors, intermediates, adults, and the Story Hour Leaders.

Thanks to Mrs. Howard Gay, for a good report on the recent study course at Zion Hill church, Lebanon Association. Five classes were taught, the Junior Manual, The Intermediate Manual, Baptist Young People's Administration, Winning Others to Christ and Building a Christian Home. These were taught by Miss Elane Williams, Emmett Harvey, Rev. J. B. Stewart, (pastor of the church) Mrs. H. K. Mc-Lemore and Rev. O. R. Moseley respectively. The enrollment was 89 and 89 qualified for credit at the close of the weeks work.

Pickens enrolled 50 in the class in OUR DOCTRINES. Four goals were set in the last executive committee meeting they were — Increase the number of daily Bible readers, decrease number of absentees, gain new members, and put on better programs.

## PLEASANT HILL LINCOLN CO., HAS BIBLE EMPHASIS WEEK

The week of May 18th was a good week in the life of the Pleasant Hill, Lincoln church. Three interesting classes were taught in a Bible Emphasis Week. Our Bible was studied by the adults and young people with an average attendance of 34. Growing in Bible Knowledge was the book the Intermediates studied with an average attendance for the week up to 97. A group of twelve from Topisaw church came every night with a decrease in this number one or two nights. Our other churches were presented by one or two of their members. Rev. Edwin Burns, and director Ebey (Mrs. Patsy) were well pleased with the weeks work. Mrs. Lucile Havers of the Pleasant Hill community taught the Juniors, and it was the pleasure of Miss Louise Hill and Auber J. Wilds, of the State Training Union Department to share in the joys of the weeks work.

This copy for the Record is mailed just as the District Conventions begin. When you read this two weeks of the conventions will be over. Those of you who live in districts ten, nine, two, three, and four will be interested in the meetings at Morton June 16, Lexington the 17th, Linn, Sunflower Co., the 18th, Duck Hill the 19th, and Batesville June 20th. For those attending the Convention at Linn Church, Wednesday, June 18, Bro. Curtis Askew gives the following information as to how you may reach this church: For those coming from

south of Shaw on 61, turn east at the signal light at Shaw, and proceed east 9 miles to Steiner, and thence north 3 miles to Linn. For those coming from the south on 49W, come to Doddsville and turn West for 6 miles. For those coming from the north, come to Dockery, on highway 8 between Cleveland and Ruleville and turn South. After about 2 miles, take left turn on gravel, and after another 2 1-2 miles, take another left turn for about a mile to Linn. He adds, "We extend a hearty welcome to all in our District, and all visitors to come. There will be plenty of room, and supper for all!"

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(1) Juniors, (2) All Others

Sun. (1) Acts 20:32-35, (2) Ex. 20:11; Deut. 5:12-15

Mon. (1) Lev. 27:30-32, (2) Jer. 17:19-27

Tu. (1) Mal. 3:8-10, (2) Neh. 13:15-22

Wed. (1) Luke 11:41-42, (2) Isa. 56:1-2, 6-8

Th. (1) Luke 21:1-4, (2) Isa. 58:6-14

Fri. (1) Rom. 12:1-2, (2) Matt. 12:1-13

Sat. S.S. Lessons

## Laurel Man Ordained At Louisiana Church

William H. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff H. Ross of Laurel, was ordained on Wednesday evening, May 7, 1947, at the Carrollton Avenue Church in New Orleans.

On Tuesday evening preceding the ordination, a presbytery composed of six Baptist ministers conducted the examination of the candidate with successful results.

Dr. W. J. Dorman, pastor of the Carrollton Avenue church, served as moderator. Dr. Albert E. Tibbs, head of the Department of Christian Education at the New Orleans Baptist Seminary, preached the sermon and delivered the charge to the young minister. The presentation of the Bible was made by Rev. William Gambrell.

Following the ordination, Rev. and Mrs. Ross were given the hand of Christian fellowship by those present.

The Napoleon church at Picayune has called Rev. Ross as pastor, and he has accepted. He is a graduate of Mississippi Southern College at Hattiesburg. Mrs. Ross is the former Miss Tommie Jean Irvin of Laurel. They are students at the New Orleans Seminary.

Good wishes of many friends follow this young couple as they begin their service in the gospel ministry.

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. —(RNS)—New impetus was given to the movement for Protestant unity when it was recommended to the Northern Baptist Convention here that an enlarged commission of 15 members be named to continue steps for a union with the Disciples of Christ.

## GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

## A GOOD IDEA

A Mississippi preacher writes, "Enclosed is subscription for my baby daughter who is married and lives in Birmingham. I want her to get the Record for there are so many good things in it that I want her to get it regularly."

We suggest this as a good plan for other fathers.

## ARKABUTLA IS NUMBER 866

The EVERY FAMILY list of the Baptist Record continues to grow. The latest addition is Arkabutla, Tate County. The Arkabutla list, which was sent in by Mrs. G. W. McGaha, now numbers 33, which includes two paid subscribers that were already getting The Record.

Tate County Record readers are now listed as follows: ARKABUTLA, 33; Bethel, 1; COLDWATER, CENTRAL, 59; Ebenezer, 1; EVANSVILLE, 41; MT. ZION, 23; SARAH 17; SENATOBIA, 120; STRAYHORN, 15; Tyro, 4; WYATT, 12.

## ALTA WOODS GETS A GOOD START

The recently organized Alta Woods Church in suburban Jackson believes in a good start. As soon as the church was organized the church adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

The pastor, Rev. J. A. Barnhill, having had experience with the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY plan, knew its worth and wanted his people to get the benefit of the information and inspiration which is a result of reading the Baptist Record.

The list of 22 names has been placed on the mailing list of the Baptist Record and a monthly bill of only \$1.83 will go to the church treasurer, L. R. Quinn.

Hinds County now has the following readers: ALTA WOODS, 22; BEULAH, 46; BETHESDA, 59; BOLTON, 24; BYRAM, 18; CHAPEL HILL, 22; CLINTON, 269; EDWARDS, 35; ELRAINE, 17; JACKSON, FIRST, 1014; JACKSON, CALVARY, 1301; JACKSON, DANIEL, 79; JACKSON, DAVIS MEMORIAL, 120; Jackson, Griffith Memorial, 4; JACKSON, NORTH SIDE, 223; JACKSON, SOUTH SIDE, 70; JACKSON, VAN WINKLE, 185; LEARNED, 18; MIDWAY, 9; MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE B. S. U., 241; MT. MORGAN, 18; NEW HAVEN, 31; PALESTINE, 10; POCAHONTAS, 20; RAYMOND, 61; SALEM, 29; SIWELL, 38; TERRY, 113; UTICA, 68.

American Unitarians have suspended Stephen H. Fritchman as editor of their "Christian Register," charging Communist leanings and activities.

Mrs. Willa A. Townsend, wife of the secretary of the Sunday School Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention, died in Nashville last week.

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WHEREAS John Ben Perry practiced faithfully the Christian principle of unselfishness, in that he constantly served others, most of whom could be of no service to himself, and,

WHEREAS he was not afraid to take God at His word, and when he saw no path to follow, simply acted upon what he considered the Will of God, and,

WHEREAS unfailingly he was found at his post in his church, ever faithful, never shirking, always loyal, under every condition and circumstance, and,

WHEREAS he was a constant inspiration and of inestimable help to the pastor and deacons, and,

WHEREAS his life of temperance and sobriety was an example to all men, young and old, and,

WHEREAS he was found always on the side of right, and,

WHEREAS he was liberal with his material gifts to God's Cause, feeling that the value of money lies in its control by spiritual purpose, and,

WHEREAS he was a man of prayer, who supplemented his prayers by action, and,

WHEREAS he was a Bible teacher who found his way to the hearts as well as the understanding of his hearers, and,

WHEREAS, second only to his immediate family, he will be more sincerely missed by the pastor, deacons and members of his church, who leaned so heavily upon him, and loved him so devotedly, BE IT RESOLVED:

FIRST, that we tender to Mrs. John Ben Perry, wife of our dear brother, and to the other members of his family, our deepest sympathy in their hour of sorrow, and,

SECOND, that we express to them our deep appreciation of the constancy, loyalty and faithfulness of Brother Perry to every interest of our church, and,

THIRD, that we promise them our prayers for their strength and comfort in this sad hour of bereavement, and,

FOURTH, that we ask the printing of these resolutions in the local newspapers and the Mississippi Baptist Record.

Done by order of Deacons of the First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi, in postponed regular meeting, April 13th, 1947, and signed by deacons and pastor.

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## Department Of Temperance Activities

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One of the most important rallies since our last article was the Hinds County rally held in the Hinds County Court House Sunday afternoon, June 1. Attendance was good at this meeting and there was a splendid spirit. The work of the Christian Citizens League was presented. The Christian people here in Jackson, as in every county in which we have been, are deeply interested in the crusade for civic righteousness. They expressed their willingness to enter into the fight against lawlessness. They voted unanimously and whole-heartedly to organize a Christian Citizens League in Hinds County. Another rally is planned for June 15 in the Court House, at which time the organization will be perfected. Plans are already underway for a rally in the city auditorium on June 29 with Sam Morris as the principle speaker.

The purpose of the Christian Citizens League is to mobilize all Christian and moral citizens of the county,

irrespective of political or denominational alignment, into one militant, county-wide organization, dedicated to the task of making the county a decent place in which to live and rear children. In an effort to accomplish the purpose, the League maps out a program of activity. We call attention to just one item in this program: namely, the conscientious use of the ballot. Our most effective weapon in the fight for law enforcement and better government is the ballot. It is tragic beyond words to express how many of our choicest Christian citizens are not qualified to vote and do not take any part in the election of officers who are to run the government and enforce the laws. This organization hopes to improve this situation.

It was a great joy to supply for Brother Thurman Booth, Terry, both services Sunday, June 1. He has a wide awake church and they are doing a great work in Terry.

## N. O. SEMINARY RECEIVES \$5,000 BEQUEST

The New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary has received a bequest of \$5,000.00 from the estate of Mrs. Annie Hendrick Ashcraft of Florence, Alabama. Mrs. Ashcraft was the widow of the late John T. Ashcraft, prominent attorney of Florence, and was a woman who was widely useful in Baptist work both in Florence and throughout Alabama. The \$5,000.00 will be used as five of the 1000 units of \$1,000.00 each which President Roland Q. Leavell is seeking in order to begin building the chapel and administration building of the proposed new seminary plant.

## Alumnae Groups Meet During Blue Mtn. Commencement

The commencement programs at Blue Mountain College were preceded by meetings of the National Alumnae Association and the Junior Alumnae Association. Mrs. L. D. Marks, Memphis, Tenn., will serve again as president of the national organization.

Other officers serving are as follows: Mrs. Howard Spell, Clinton, First Vice-President; Mrs. O. B. Taylor, Jackson, Second Vice-President; Mrs. D. M. Renick, Memphis, Tenn., Third Vice-President; Miss Manie Berry, Tupelo, Secretary; Mrs. A. M. Donnell, Blue Mountain, Treasurer; Mrs. J. B. Black, Murfreesboro, Tenn., Historian; Mrs. W. S. Bigelow, Memphis, Tenn., Memorabilia Chairman; Mrs. W. S. Lynch, Jackson, Campus Beautification Chairman; Mrs. J. P. Tull, Jackson, Souvenir Plate Chairman; Mrs. W. H. Anderson, Booneville, Immediate Past-President; Mrs. L. M. Gatlin, Blue Mountain, President Blue Mountain B.M.C. Club.

Miss Monte McMahan, West Point, was re-elected president of the junior alumnae association. Other officers are: Jean Anderson, Collierville, Tenn., First Vice-President; Elizabeth Jacob, Nashville, Tenn., Second Vice-President; Violet Hendricks, Inverness, Third Vice-President; Mary Tom Berry, Ellisville, Fourth Vice-President; Mildred Holt, Milan, Tenn., Secretary; Sara Wallis Ferguson, Natchez, Treasurer.

## COLUMBIA FIRST, HOLDS V.B.S., MAY 25-30

Miss Ruby Evans, principal of the Vacation Bible School at First Church, Columbia, writes that their school has been classified as one of the best from the standpoint of attendance, enthusiasm of workers and pupils, and efficiency.

Each department had a picnic on Friday morning with the church furnishing drinks. The commencement was held that evening.

Mrs. Jean Dedeaux Martin served as general secretary and Mrs. R. O. Ferguson as playground supervisor. Other workers were: Beginner Superintendent, Mrs. Quinton Speed; Primary Superintendent, Mrs. Frances Pittman; Juniors Superintendents, Miss Folsie Evans and Mrs. James T. Horton; and Intermediate Superintendent, Mrs. Ramah Thompson. Others assisting in General Assembly were Mrs. T. C. Griffith and Arny Rhoden.

## NEW PROSPECT, LINCOLN REPORTS PROGRESS

Since the coming of Pastor Frank L. Coker about two months ago New Prospect Church, Lincoln County, reports progress along several lines. The pastor has moved into the pastor's home, which has all modern conveniences.

Youth Week was observed during April. Young people from all the organizations supplied the personnel for the week.

Christian Home Week was observed May 26-30. A Training Union study course was held and the week climaxed with a church social.

## Fifteen Prizes And Awards Presented By Dean Sumrall

Dean W. H. Sumrall of Mississippi College announced the prizes and awards at the recent commencement exercises.

The Kyzar Medal for freshman declamation was awarded to James Fancher of Louisville. The Wallace Medal for Sophomore declamation was won by John Steen, Jackson. The Trotter medal for the best original oration by a member of the Junior Class went to Glen Crawford of Jacksonville, Florida. The Nelson medal for the Senior making the best original oration was awarded to David Berry-Dale, Prentiss.

The Lee Medals for the two students adjudged best in extemporaneous debate went to Jim Denman of Clinton and Norman Harper of Jackson. The Walden Band award for the best all around member of the college band was won by Victor Bruce of Jackson. Miss Geneva Davis of Meridian won the Banks Voice Scholarship. The Dampier Memorial Scholarship to an outstanding ministerial student was awarded to Earl Moody of Louisville. To John Wright Goodrich of Clinton went the History Scholarship offered by the Mississippi College Rifles Chapter of the U.D.C. The Barnhill Chemistry award was won by Franklin James of Louin.

Jack Glaze of Pelahatchie was the winner of the W. J. Davis Memorial Scholarship for a ministerial student with great promise of future usefulness. Henry Carter of Pineville, Kentucky, won the \$150.00 scholarship offered by the W.M.U. to a ministerial student with high scholarship. This is in honor of the late Mrs. A. J. Aven. Dean Sumrall's prize for the student who had made the highest average for the four years was won by Franklin Ward James of Louin. The Sadler prize for the transfer student with the highest average was won by Miss Miriam Hollis of Chalhybeate, who had made straight A's since coming to Mississippi College.

### MRS. GERTRUDE HALL

WHEREAS, God has, in His infinite wisdom seen fit to take from us Mrs. Gertrude Hall to a heavenly home.

WHEREAS, she has been an outstanding member of the Big Level Baptist church of Route "A", Wiggins, Mississippi and rendered special service to the Young People's Department.

WHEREAS, in her going leaves a large vacancy in our organization, and while we shall miss this true servant of our Lord from our church life, we submit to the will of our Lord in His wisdom, who knows and does all things best.

WHEREAS, her Christian graces and her lovely personality have proven and inspiration to all who knew her.

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the church express to her family our sympathy in their grief and our sense of loss in her passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the family, a copy recorded on the minutes of the church, a copy to the Baptist Record and one to the local paper.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. DAN McQUAGGE  
MRS. TIMMIS BOND  
MRS. CECIL HATTEN

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE June 8, 1947

	S.S. B.T.
Chester, Choctaw County	38
Hebron, Yazoo County	63 87
Oak Grove, Yazoo County	36 36
Booneville	143 93
Batesville	210 42
Tupelo, Harrisburg	316 113
Center Ridge, Yazoo County	82 24
Friendship, Pike County	190 103
Soso	108 63
Gulfport, First	403 109
Houlka	119 27
Rocky Springs, Yazo County	23
Wallerville	95 44
Tupelo, Calvary	316 66
Pascagoula, First	570 123
Darling	65 31
Enon, Panola County	79 69
Bryam	194 61
Byram	80 70
Wellman, Lincoln County	84 81
New Zion, Copiah County	91
Brookhaven, First	640 95
Boyle	173 78
Eastside, Rankin County	80 24
Rocky Creek, George County	224 120
Jackson, Southside	132 102
Davis Memorial	250 76
Jackson, Northside	267 62
Jackson, Daniels	191 45
Jackson, Van Winkle	224 159
Jackson, Calvary	1,200 254
Jackson, Calvary, including	
Stone St. Mission	1,221 266
Jackson, Parkway	462 172
West Laurel	390 121
Crystal Springs	475 86
Laurel, First	635 146
New Albany	533 198
New Albany, including	
Northside Mission	558
West Marks	33
Newton	320 90
Walnut	65 36
June 1, 1947	
Providence, Tippah County	38
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	56 38
Lucedale	262 91
Rocky Creek, George County	167 112
East McComb	548 245
Agricola	81 51
Rocky Springs, Yazoo County	22
Hepzibah, Jeff Davis	96 39
Tupelo, Calvary	349 72
Friendship, Pike County	192 97
Byram	92 58
Brookhaven, First	603 95
Cross Roads, Webster County	59
Gulfport, First	424 98
Antioch, Lawrence County	30
Houlka	81 44
Glenfield, Union County	61 25
Crystal Springs	484 87
Cherry Creek, Pontotoc County	67
Tupelo, Harrisburg	269 104
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha County	57
New Zion, Copiah County	79 39
Brooklyn	115 55
Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	436 137
Hattiesburg, Main Street	667 225
Pascagoula, First	615 106
Soso	111 68
Darling	58 30
Providence, Forrest County	170 106
Batesville	199 22
Union, Pearl River County	166 86
Wellman, Lincoln County	50 71
Booneville	243 88
West Marks	58

Record Attendance for Brandon Baptist Church: A Sunday School attendance of 195, Sunday, June 1st, was the largest every for Brandon Church. G. A. Harrison has been Superintendent of the School for approximately 25 years and he had suggested a goal of 200. Of the 195, 40 were in the Men's Bible Class taught by G. Tynes, Supt. of the Public Schools of Brandon.



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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell  
Lesson for June Fifteenth

JUDAH'S LAST DAYS. II Kings 23:31-24:47.

I. The Persistence of Personal Influence. "For the sins of Manessah, according to all that he did." But Manessah was dead, a long while now. Yes, but he set in motion evil tendencies and forces which continued to operate after his death, and to cast over the entire landscape of Judah. And thus it ever is that we labor and others enter into our labor, whether it be productive labor for God or destructive labor for the devil. The engineer locates the roadbed and draws the plans for it; the workmen build it and, after that, all the vehicles that traverse that road for all the years ahead bend with the curves, rise with the hills and sink with the downgrades planned by the engineer who located the road. Michael Angelo draws the plans for Saint Peter's at Rome and, though hundreds and thousands of hands other than his have wrought at the building of the colossal temple, they all follow the work and abide under the shadow of Angelo.

Angelo was great and also was the engineer who planned the Panama Canal, but in greater or in less degree each and every one of us make tracks in which some one who comes after us does always walk. There is no such thing as a man or a woman whose life affects no one else. It is true in every walk of life, as well as in the Christian way that, "No man lives to himself, and no man dies to himself".

II. The Long-Suffering of God. The whole nation had corrupted itself and had become careless of God. But once more He speaks to them through His weeping prophet in the forlorn hope that plain written words may impress them. "It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil that I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin" (II Kings 24:3\*). Here Jehovah lets men see the beat of His great, loving heart as He yearns over the people whom He has chosen for a great purpose of goodness and mercy to the world. And be very sure of this: our God will pardon any individual in the world on condition that the individual in earnest turns from a wicked way to the righteous way of God.

Said he to me, "Preacher, I am ruined". Oh, yes, you are ruined, there's no doubt of that; but you are not hopelessly ruined, unless you abandon hope. There's mercy with the Lord, and He will surely give you rest, refreshment, healing, if you will return to Him.

III. The Faithful Prophet. Poor Brother Jeremiah never won a single convert! No one heeded him. He preached and pled, he wrote and wrestled under the testing of the Spirit of God, yet there was none to declare faith in his word or to commend his work. He had to be content with the knowledge that he walked under the guiding eye of the Almighty, and that the weight upon his shoulder was that of the constraining hand of the Most High.

Jeremiah had to watch the down-

ward course of the national life of his people, the people of his own blood and bone, of his own speech, the people nominally of his own religious faith, and the only people in the world who even knew the name of the God of Jacob, Jeremiah had to watch those people declining into national decay and death, while nothing that he could do or say made any impression upon them. So, since his day, have other leaders from God faced the same sort of stubborn resistance to all efforts to help them back to God. As the knowledge that he was serving God had to be enough for Jeremiah, so it may have, sometimes, to be enough for you and me.

IV. The Word of God Is Living. In spite of all the instruments of torture devised by devil-duped men to stop the mouth of the spokesmen of God, His word lives. A poor fool king may burn the copies of the words in the fire, but the word both lives and abides forever. What though a knife in the hands of a dupe of the devil cut the pages of a book in pieces and east them into the fire, God the Almighty lives to speak His word again, and the king, of whatever tribe, has never lived, who had ability to silence the speech of God, when He speaks in warning or in mercy to His people.

The king cut the pages on which the word of God was written and threw them into the fire. We do no such sacrilegious thing. We simply put the book of leaves aside and allow it to rest and rot there. If we let it speak to us, it will say things we do not wish to hear, because the things it says find us in the condemnation of our sin. Say, then, we seek to clap hand over the mouth of the Lord God Almighty, do not let Him say what He wants to say, fling the book of His word aside and otherwise treat it as though there were no such thing. Does that course indeed get rid of the word and leave us free to disobey its admonitions? Think you a man can discharge his obligation to God by simply ignoring it? What was the thought of Jehoiakim? Why, his thought was to get rid of the word of God. What lies behind and under your own thought as you pass the word of God serenely by? Is it not the same? Oh, you did not cut the book in pieces and burn the mutilated leaves, but you did just as effectively stay its speech, so what the practical difference?

—BR—

There will be a Young People's Rally of the W.M.U. at the Calvary Church, Silver Creek, Friday evening, June 20, at 7:00 o'clock. A good program has been planned.—MRS. C. P. WELLS, Young People's Leader, Lawrence County.

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Church clerks who have not received the official census blanks are requested to write to the United States Census Bureau, Washington, D. C., at once. The blanks will come to you immediately.

You will render your denomination a real service by complying with this request.

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Southern Baptist Convention

Paynes Church had a Training Union Program without their quarterlies recently. Just as the unions went to their rooms the current went off and the only light was intermittent flashes of lightning. The lights came on just as the preaching hour arrived. (Editor's note: It can be done!)

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

BY Rev. R. A. Eddleman

Pastor Mitchell was assisted in a meeting at Calhoun City by Dr. H. L. Martin. There were twenty-five additions to the church.

Pastor W. B. Holcomb has just closed a great meeting at Wesson in which he was assisted by his son H. R., of Mansfield, La.

Pastor A. C. Parker ordained some new deacons last Sunday at Rehoboth Church, Rankin County. He had Deacon Aven of Clinton to make the address.

Luther Lane of Tulsa, Oklahoma will place in the new Central Church in McComb a memorial window to his mother who recently passed over the river.

The Texas Baptist Standard says of Pastor T. L. Holcomb's address at the Organized Bible Convention in Texas. "This was one of the outstanding addresses of the Convention and none delivered during the convention was more practical and full of workable suggestions and effective methods."

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Departments: Beginner, Meridian First, Mrs. J. M. Slaughter, Jr., superintendent; Beginner, Canton First, Mrs. Clyde Edwards; Beginner, Mendenhall, Mrs. Essie Nunnery; Primary, Jackson Calvary, Mrs. Ruth Simmons; Junior, Jackson Daniel, Mrs. Albert Mangum.

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We express our most sincere thanks to the leaders of all these units on this excellent work. Many others should do likewise.

Remember, standard units are better.

### JUNE CLOSES QUARTER

June is the last month of this quarter of Sunday school work. Therefore, it is the last month to qualify on any standards for this quarter.

All class and department standards are based on a three-months' record. We should have a great number of standard applications coming to us the first of July for the quarter ending June 30.

Therefore, check up now and see how you stand. If you are short anywhere, you have the rest of June to make it up. If you need application blanks write us.

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### GRIFFITH MEMORIAL SETS RECORD

Griffith Memorial Baptist church,

## Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

June 16—Miss Frances Browning, Language teacher, Clarke Memorial College; Rev. R. D. Pearson, Convention Board Member, Noxubee County.

June 17—Prof. E. N. Elsey, Music professor, Mississippi College; R. L. Covington, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

June 18—M. L. Haynie, office manager, Blue Mountain College; Rev. W. E. Hardy, Committee on Aged Ministers.

June 19—Rev. J. B. Ray, member Pastor's Advisory Committee, District 4, Brotherhood; Rev. J. F. Brock, Jackson County Convention Board member.

June 20—Miss Hermie Graham, Itawamba B.T.U. Director; W. L. McMullen, Member Board Ministerial Education.

June 21—Remember Christian Education Day, June 29; Junior R.A. Camp, June 23-28.

June 22—E. T. Brewer, B.T.U. President, District 15.

Jackson, set a new record recently in the size of a class taught by the state Sunday School Secretary.

This class, with an enrollment of 173 and 104 qualifying for the award, was our largest in the 23 years with this department.

The sincere interest and contagious enthusiasm of that large group of men and women were indeed an inspiration.

Rev. L. W. Ferrell is the pastor and Mr. J. L. Mahaffey the Sunday school superintendent.

### DON'T FORGET THE CLINIC

Don't forget our Statewide Sunday School Clinic in the First Baptist church at Jackson the week of August 25-29.

This is sponsored by the Baptist Sunday School Board, the State Sunday School Department and the Jackson Baptist churches. A great faculty of Southwide leaders has been secured.

A total of 100 out-of-Jackson Sunday school leaders from the state will be our guests with no expense other than transportation and a registration fee of \$2.00. We want Sunday school leaders in various places of service.

We take them as they come. Therefore, if you want to be one of these 100, write us at once so we can reserve a place for you. A great number have already sent us their names.

The Clinic last year was on Teaching. The one this year will be General Administration.

Write us at once if you want to get in on it.

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T. C. Adams of Gregory Chapel Church, Monroe County, recently sent a nice list of new and renewed subscriptions. Rev. Price Edwards of Nettleton is pastor.

Southwestern Seminary has an enrollment of 484 in their summer school. Dr. T. B. Maston is the director of the session.

## Dr. Landon Miller Comes To Brookhaven As Pastor



DR. W. LANDON MILLER

W. Landon Miller, age 30, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, who recently completed his work for his doctorate at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, began his ministry on June first as pastor of First Church, Brookhaven. Dr. Miller and his family moved to Brookhaven from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Dr. Miller did his undergraduate work at Carson-Newman College, Tennessee and received his Th.M. from the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

During the three years, 1943-46, that the Rev. Miller was pastor of the White Oak Church, Chattanooga, the church membership doubled. Mr. Miller has engaged in evangelistic work in Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida and Texas.

The church at Brookhaven has been without a pastor since the resignation of Rev. James L. Sullivan last September, when he accepted the pastorate of Belmont Heights Church, Nashville, Tennessee.

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## SPARKS &amp; SPLINTERS

Oak Grove Church, Clarke County, recently completed a Sunday School study course in which 47 were enrolled. The average attendance was 37. Rev. L. B. Simmons taught "Baptist Distinctives", Rev. H. D. Booth taught "The Way Made Plain" and Mrs. L. B. Simmons taught the Training Union book "Bible Heroes". The week was climaxed with a church social on the closing night.—MRS. ESTHER COPLEY, reporter.

The monthly report for Southwide funds received by Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary, shows that Mississippi's gifts placed them fifth. Total gifts amounted to \$60,401 of which amount \$25,471 were for the Co-operative Program.

East McComb is now in the midst of their Vacation Bible School and the enrollment will probably reach 200. The following general officers are serving: Pastor E. C. Edwards; Principal, Mrs. W. W. Bush; Assistant Principal, Mrs. W. E. Gerald; Chorister, Rev. J. A. Terrell; Pianist, Dorothy Felder; Secretary, Dorothy Louise Felder; Beginner Superintendent, Mrs. Alton Raley; Primary Superintendent, Mrs. A. A. Scarborough; Junior Superintendent, Mrs. Howard Brister and Intermediate Superintendent, Mrs. W. E. Gerald.

**Petal-Harvey:** The Sunday School averaged 230 in May. The Building Fund offering on Sunday, June 1 was \$2,005 and the amount in the Building Fund is now \$10,000. There were 20 additions during May.

God blessed our people in Shuqualak, through Dr. Chester Swor with a glorious revival May 25-30. There was splendid attendance at both morning and evening services. At the morning watch, 7:30 a. m., the average attendance for the week was 99. The movable doors which separate the auditorium from the Sunday School rooms were opened for the evening services. There were eleven additions to the church, seven on profession of faith, and four by letter. Scores came in response to the plea of rededication of lives. Dr. Swor will be remembered for a long time for his splendid messages and spirit-led counsel given in the after meetings. Shuqualak will profit from this meeting for many years to come.—Jesse L. Boyd, Jr., Pastor.

Beginning May 29, the Baptist Hour may be heard via short wave every Thursday night over station HCJB, Quito, Ecuador. We are informed that reception of this station is good. You will find it at 12.5 and 9.95 and 15.1 on your short wave dial. These programs are the same heard on the regular Baptist Hour. The speakers are as follows: June 12 and 19—Dr. C. E. Matthews; June 26 and July 3—Dr. Louie D. Newton; July 10 and 17—Dr. A. D. Foreman; July 24—Rev. Bruce H. Price; July 31—Dr. H. Guy Moore; August 7—Dr. W. S. Allen; August 14—Mrs. George R. Martin; and August 21—Hon. Robert S. Kerr. If you do not hear the early Sunday morning program on the network listen on Thursday night.

The following Mississippi College students participated in a Youth Revival at First Church, Danville, Kentucky, Rev. Wayne E. Todd (Mississippian), pastor, the week of June 4-11: Earl Moody, Charles Ray, Wayne Coleman and Misses Gloria and Bobbie Haynie.

Pastor Earl C. Edwards of East McComb Church, reports 49 additions during the recent revival in which Rev. and Mrs. S. M. "Happy" White of Summit were the evangelistic team. Thirty-two came on profession of faith. There were three fine choirs, Junior, Intermediate and Adult. Pastor Edwards speaks in highest terms of the Whites.

## RALLY DAY AT PAUL TRUITT CHURCH, RANKIN COUNTY



Paul Truitt Church on the old Brandon Road, Rankin County, has set an attendance goal of 100 in Sunday School, and a financial goal of \$500 to be raised for the building fund on June 15.

Services are being held in a tent until the completion of the building.

The Southeast Pastors' Conference will meet June 16 at 10:00 o'clock at First Church, Laurel. The following will take part on the program: Rev. Aaron Foy, Rev. H. D. Jordan, and Dr. J. W. Parrish.

George Mason, Dallas, was elected president of the newly created organization of Foundation Secretaries formed at St. Louis.

Calvary Church, Warren County, will have their revival for two weeks beginning June 15. The church is on highway Three, East of Vicksburg. Rev. Joe Royalty of Midway Church, Jackson, will be the evangelist. On the opening day Sunday School will be at 10:00, morning worship at 11:00, lunch served at the church at noon, Training Union at 1:30 and worship at 2:30. There will be no evening service. During the week services will be at 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., with prayer service at 7:30.—Reporter.

Evangelist B. H. Benton did the preaching in the revival at Iuka. Pastor Jack Cranford writes that every department of the church was revived and vitalized. A goodly number were saved and hundreds of rededications. There were a number of people who pledged to tithe their incomes through the church.

Oak Grove Church, Yazoo County has been painted inside and has been wired for electricity. New Sunday School rooms have been built, the number of tithers increased and the entire community has been blessed since the coming of the pastor, Rev. Carl B. Case of Clinton.—MRS. L. E. SANDERS, Church reporter.

**STATE V.F.W. MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Rev. Wm. Henry Buckalew State Chaplain for the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Mississippi, extends a very warm welcome to all that can come to the State Memorial service at the War Memorial Building in Jackson on Sunday, the 15th of June at 3 p. m. The service will be dedicated to those who served on land and sea and in the air, with special tributes to Gold Star mothers and others who have given sons and daughters to the cause of democracy.

Men of the church and Pastor Clyde P. Jones have been doing the work on the church. They hope to have the roof on and the windows and doors in by June 15, so that from that day forward services may be held in the building.

Following the morning worship

Dr. D. A. McCall was with me in a revival beginning May 26 and closing June 1. I have never seen a finer spirit in any revival, or more splendid co-operation in any community. All the places of business, including the Bank, closed from 10 to 11 each morning, and every seat was filled in all the day services. At night it was necessary to fill the balcony, and bring chairs from the Sunday School room for every available inch of space. People came from Senatobia and Hernando, and from surrounding communities. Dr. McCall was in top form, I have never listened to finer preaching. Mr. Austin Williams directed the choir and congregation in singing, and his solo work was a distinct contribution to the success of the services. There is a better spirit in the church and community as a result of this meeting. We shall be reaping the results of this meeting for months to come.—F. V. McPATRIDGE, pastor, Coldwater.

Willis Howard has offered his resignation as pastor of the First Church, Oklahoma City, to accept the call of the First Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

The Presbyterian Church CSA voted to bar women ministers in their meeting at Grand Rapids. An effort will be made to add 1,000,000 members within the next three years.

Ellen Thorbecke, wife of the former minister to the Netherlands has had several books published in England, but **PROMISED LAND** is her first work to be published in the United States. Mrs. Thorbecke has travelled widely through the Far East, Africa, the Middle East and Europe with her husband and is now living in the United States. The book is very colorful with 172 photographs and drawings. There are 4 sections: Ancient Palestine, New Palestine, Laboratory of the Future and Rebirth. Published by Harper and Brothers, 49 East 33rd Street, New York 16, the book sells for \$3.50. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

Rev. John E. Barrow of Clarke College has recently become pastor of Becker Church. The first day of June was a red letter Sunday when 117 were on time for Sunday School. The offering through the Sunday School was \$81.

service dinner will be served on the grounds, and in the afternoon a song service and a guest speaker.

The picture shown with this article was taken on Rally Day, May 11, when there were more than a hundred in attendance.

## S. C. Ray Certified

S. C. Ray, educational director of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, has been unanimously certified as a full-time Christian worker by that church.

This was done because of a special resolution adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in session in St. Louis, Missouri, May 7-11, 1947, suggesting that full-time church workers be so certified by the churches where they serve, and thus give them official standing in the denomination.

An examining council was formed, composed of Brethren G. W. Causey, M. A. Mayo, Leo Fillingane, Dr. T. W. Talkington, and Rev. J. E. Barnes, Jr. This council fully examined Brother Ray concerning his conversion, his call into full-time religious work, and his doctrinal beliefs.

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## NEW EDITOR IN GEORGIA

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—John Hurt, an editor in the Associated Press southwestern bureau here, has been elected editor of the Christian Index, Georgia Baptist weekly.

Mr. Hurt, son of Dr. John Jeter Hurt, long-time Baptist editor, pastor, and educator, will succeed the late Dr. O. P. Gilbert. The Index was established in 1821 and has a circulation of 38,000.

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## Three Deacons Ordained By Becker Church

Three deacons were ordained by Becker Church on June first. The deacons of Becker Church, Pastor John E. Barrow, and three deacons from Aberdeen composed the examining council.

Rev. C. W. Thompson of Aberdeen preached the ordination sermon and delivered the charge to J. C. Boggan, H. G. Bates and J. T. Thornton, the new deacons.